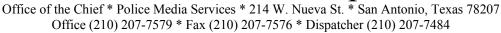


## San Antonio Police Department





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## Media Advisory

## SAPD AND SANTIKOS THEATERS JOIN FORCES TO COMBAT CRIME DURING THIS HOLIDAY SEASON

**Who:** San Antonio Police Department

**What:** SAPD implements innovative crime prevention strategies during this Holiday Season

When: December 04, 2002

10:00 AM

**Where:** Santikos Theater

13707 Embassy Row

Why:

To deter property crimes, the San Antonio Police Department is employing new innovative crime prevention strategies during this Holiday Season.

Last week SAPD VIP's began patrolling San Antonio Malls and Shopping Centers to deter Vehicle thefts and Vehicle break-ins. These citizen volunteers will be wearing a distinctive orange jacket and orange ball cap, with the words "SAPD Volunteers" printed on the jacket and cap. VIP's will be covering all malls and shopping centers throughout the City of San Antonio and will be working various hours.

In addition, Santikos Theaters has partnered with the San Antonio Police Department to deliver a crime prevention message prior to the showing of the feature film at its' 128 movie screens across San Antonio. The Crime prevention slide, encourages San Antonians to always park in well-lighted areas, secure all your valuables in your trunk, and to always lock your vehicle.

Burglary of vehicles is a city wide problem and is up 19%, year to date. Please help us prevent this type of crime by always securing your valuables and calling the police immediately if you notice suspicious activity.